

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
May 1, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1, 2012, at the Jasper Arts Center. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Robin Norris, Pat Thyen, Gary Moeller, Kendall Martin, Kara Bodle, Linda Kahle, Becky Hickman, and Nanette Parsons. **Commission Members Absent:** Sherry Monesmith and Mickey Seger. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci, and Donna Schepers. **Guests in attendance:** Mayor Terry Seitz, Herald Reporter Candy Neal, WITZ News Director Jim O'Neal, and WBDC Reporter Julia Nathan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nanette Parsons moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

City Financial Statement

Kendall Martin moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Gary Moeller** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Public Business:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kit reported.

- JCAC ended the season on a really high note with Ricky Nelson Remembered. We have received lots of favorable public response to the performance.
- The staff is gearing up for Chalk Walk this Saturday.
- Kit is working on grants at this time. Contracts are going through the system.
- The season guide is about 90% complete. The theme is New Directions. The guide still needs to have a final proof.
- Kit, Ken Buck, and the Mayor will be at the River Walk tomorrow at noon for a City Chat.

Building and Structure Report

Doreen reported.

- Doreen has spoken with the city attorney regarding the lighting replacement project and lack of certified riggers in Indiana and surrounding states. She has found two certified riggers. Beck Studio from Ohio has submitted a quote for \$6745. Beck has done work for JCAC before. Doreen is pleased with their work. The quote also includes getting rid of what we currently have. The quote does not include the counter weights. These will be an additional cost. Aerial Arts from Indianapolis is the other company that responded. They reported this system is no longer being made. They could do the work as a custom job for a minimum of \$15,000. They are unable to give a full quote without coming to the JAC to evaluate the system for an additional \$500. Doreen recommends we go with the quote from Beck Studios for \$6745 with an additional cost of \$900 for counter weights. This falls within the \$8500 budgeted for this project. Beck Studio is available to do the job either in May or not until September. **Gary Moeller** moved to accept the bid from Beck Studio and an additional \$900 for counter weight. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.
- *At 4:40 p.m., Linda Kahle arrived at the meeting.*
- Doreen is running short of monitors/speakers which are used for stage performances. She has found 2 monitors that mount on stands for \$260 each. She also found a package special that includes 2 monitors, an 8 channel mixer, the stands, 4 microphones and cable for \$649. The list price for the package is \$2439. These can be used for backstage, special events and are portable enough to use

for school performances and senior outreach performances. **Mike Jones** moved to purchase the monitor system. **Linda Kahle** seconded. Motion passed 9-0.

- Chiller is again having problems.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- In April, the final education event was held with Sean Layne, a Kennedy Center artist. Teacher comments were distributed to the board.
- The Kennedy Center partnership update is due today. It has been completed and mailed. Copies were distributed to the board to review.
- The Brown Bag lunch event, The Secret Garden, was held in April.
- Joyce Garner held a workshop in the Krempp Gallery for JHS students. Myra Schuetter gave a brief slide presentation of her work in conjunction with Joyce Garner's presentation.
- A list of the year's education events for the schools was distributed to the board. The Education Committee is asking the JCAC board to contact school principals to encourage them to reinstate the 2nd program for students.

Visual Arts Report

Emily reported.

- Joyce Garner's gallery exhibit ended today. The new gallery exhibit is by artist Sean Fitzgibbon. Emily invited everyone to view the exhibit.
- The ARTventures schedule is finished. Approximately 35 classes will be offered this summer.
- The June exhibit artist, Wyatt LeGrand is offering a plein air workshop on June 2.
- The Juror for the Juried Art Show is in place. The call for artists for the Juried Show has gone out.

Project Coordinator Report

Corina reported.

- The Chalk Walk is this Saturday from 8:30 to 4:00. Thanks to everyone who is volunteering. We have over 255 already registered to participate. 17 art vendors, 4 community vendors and 5 food vendors have signed up to participate. The Special Events Committee will be stuffing the bags during its monthly meeting. Everything will be moved to City Hall on Friday. We can always use more help with set up and tear down. Question was asked regarding the tables sitting outside *Let's Do Lunch* and *Chocolate Bliss*. Corina will talk to the store owners about the possibility of moving those for Saturday so those sidewalk squares are available.
- Flyers for Linda Smith will be made and distributed after Chalk Walk.
- The Special Events Committee is working on the details for the Strassenfest float. It will be presented next month when more details regarding a request for the money needed for materials is available.
- Mike Jones stated that Nathan Osmond will be performing at the Hospital Hoedown on September 29.

Old Business

- Mike asked if work on the mission statement can be tabled until next month.
- Kendall Martin attended the City Council meeting. He gave them a sneak peak of next season and informed them of The Linda Smith Band event in June.

New Business

Adjournment

Kendall Martin moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. **Kara Bodle** seconded. Motion passed 9-0.

Mike Jones

Attested